

WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 3, 1915.

Society

CHARITY BALL TO OPEN SEASON OF JANUARY
GAYETIES—PRETTY GOWNS AND STYLISH
WEARERS—DANCES—GOSSIP—COMING EVENTS

The charity ball tomorrow night at the New Willard inaugurates January activities and is expected to be an unusually brilliant affair, following in the long line of these events in aid of the Children's Hospital at which successive generations have been entertained. The preparations have been going along for the past two months, and have interested not only those who have for years given it patronage, but also the hundreds who realize that outside of the charity ball the opportunity of seeing Washington society in this large and splendid way may otherwise be lacking this season. As was expected, when the early announcement reserved the date, no conflicting entertainment is on for tomorrow night. Numerous dinners will precede the ball, and the debutantes will be present in full force. A first winter out without the charity ball would be a useless experience, and the belles of today are just as sure of it as were their mothers before them.

Other large balls in this month will have as hosts and hostesses Senator and Mrs. O'Gorman, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Clover, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Slater, Representative and Mrs. Gerry, and these, with events at the Country Club, Fort Myer and navy yard, Army and Navy and Chevy Chase clubs, make up quite a spirited program, though it may not reach the pace of the last fortnight of the old year.

TWO BRILLIANT BALLS.

There may not be again this winter so close to each other two such balls as the Moore and Draper events of the past week. Of course, much was expected, but it is safe to say three times as much was realized. For both there were guests from Boston, New York and other cities, who knew what they were about in forsaking the gayeties at home to take part in what the capital was offering. Honeymoon jaunts were cut short to be on hand for these balls, and the sum of happiness of these mortals was thereby increased. The smartest gowns of the winter and the most gorgeous jewels, like those reserved for the diplomatic reception at the White House in other happy years, were in evidence, so much so, in fact, that it was hard to think that people have mentioned hard times in connection with this season. Mrs. Moore had the small ballroom, the approaches and the adjoining parlor at Rauscher's turned into a garden, and a lovely one, for her guests to sit out or rest between their dances. The walls were hidden by the lapping branches of spruce and fir trees, and overhead a dense canopy of green, such as a far southland plantation offers, from which hung long strings of moss, carried out the woody effect. Garden benches in stone and terra cotta and vases filled with flowers helped to make the picture, which was not only the most beautiful, but likewise the most elaborate seen here in years.

The music kept up blithely till 5 o'clock, and a half hour past it, when breakfast was served at small tables, where the small happy parties of six or eight had supper three hours earlier. The breakfast company was not quite as large as the one for the midnight meal, but it was not small either. Dancing for a half hour followed and the ball was really over before seven. Mrs. Harry Lehr of New York wore some gorgeous diamonds, which created a sensation even among those who are quite accustomed to sparkling stones. Her tiara was a most imposing one, being, as a debutante described it, eight inches high, made of huge stones and worn with a necklace, corsage and a few other ornaments quite in keeping with its value. Her dress was in a black brocaded ganzy fabric and was evidently chosen well as a setting for the jewels.

Mrs. Moore's two offerings to the winter, the debut tea for Miss Moore a fortnight ago and the ball, will score high in the season's social achievements.

Mrs. Draper's dance Thursday night wound up the year in brilliant fashion for about a hundred of her daughter's young friends, asked in compliment to Miss Beatrice Clover, a greatly feted debutante of the winter. Half the number were at the dinner which preceded. The Draper mansion, at Connecticut avenue and K street, which has been so long identified with the social history of the capital, has not had any happier gathering than this last one.

THE ROSEBUD CIRCLE.

Debutantes had most of the limelight last week, but their prominence as particular stars is gradually waning. Society owes them, however, much gratitude because only for them afternoon gayeties would have been much fewer the past month, and the reasons for entertaining decidedly less. Residential circles in their various ramifications of army, navy and other sets have so far contributed more frequently to the distribution of coveted invitations to bid these young people welcome. A number of them have had a strenuous time the last few weeks, not only at home affairs, but in accepting bids elsewhere, which brought about a succession of one-night stays in three or four cities. It takes a very restful and placid disposition to be quite the same after experiences such as these in the pursuit of pleasure, but that goes with youth, too, and its freedom from responsibilities. There have not been many luncheon parties for the buds, for the very obvious

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Wife of Ensign Clark, U. S. N. The young couple recently divided a three-week holiday between this city and the Clark paternal home in Utica, N. Y.

reason that the most of them could hardly rise earlier than a tea engagement compelled. As this is an age of one style of dressing from 4 o'clock in the afternoon until the ball is over close to the same hour, and sometimes after it, the next morning, there is no time lost in the making of new toilets, where one has dinner and dancing engagements to follow a tea.

The debutantes, too, and older womankind as well, have their dancing dresses so far off the floor that the worry of taking care of a train and the further elimination of gloves on dressy occasions are really points to be noted this winter. Both these things are in line with the simplicity which wartime has brought about and are little matters which are generally considered convenient and up to date.

BUSY TIMES LATELY.

For the younger set, the buds of the next two or three years, the holidays were the gayest in a long time. Some of them outgrew the family drawing or music room and of necessity had to be held elsewhere. In families where sons are the reigning sovereigns an equally elaborate schedule was observed. The boys from college will need as much resting up time when they go back as the frequently invited debutantes, who have not been to bed four or five nights a week lately until 3 or 4 o'clock—often later and but seldom earlier. The charity tea dances and balls had an appreciative following just the same, and the holiday ventures of this kind seem to have been unusually successful.

New Year festivities ran the full gamut and included luncheons, buffet and otherwise; tea dances, regular happy New Year parties and numerous dances at night. Yesterday was no less entertaining, as the same varied program was available and a half score of pleasant occasions brought hundreds together.

The debutantes last week were Miss Louise Clark, Miss Margaret Clements, Miss Mary Lord Andrews, Miss Laura Graves, Miss Elizabeth Howser, Miss Mary Graham and Miss Dorothy Mason. The debutante list this season nearly reaches forty, and the last of the group who is to have a formal coming-out party is Miss Gladys Pugh, who will be presented January 9.

The Diplomatic Circle.

Instead of the general influx of diplomats to Washington for the first day of the New Year, there was quite an exodus, and the Russian ambassador and Mme. Bakmeteff, the German ambassador, Count von Bernstorff, the Brazilian ambassador and Mme. da Gama and the Austrian ambassador and Mme. Dumba, with hosts of bachelor diplomats, spent the day in New York and elsewhere.

Before leaving the capital each one left cards in the hands of secretary or servant to be left at the White House New Year morning for the President, and though the chief executive saw no one but very intimate friends and members of his family, the driveway leading to the front door was well peopled all Friday morning.

Count von Bernstorff went to New York about the middle of Christmas week, and will return to the embassy during the present week.

While the Russian ambassador and Mme. Bakmeteff visited in New York and were brilliantly entertained by Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish and others, the office of the embassy was changed from 1515 L street, where it has been temporarily located for a year, to the new office building at the embassy on 16th street.

The Brazilian ambassador and Mme. da Gama made the new embassy on Massachusetts avenue gay for relatives of the latter and members of the embassy staff at Christmas time, and then went over to New York the eve of New Year. Friday they were the guests in Albany of the Governor and Mrs. Whitman, and assisted them in receiving visitors at their New Year reception.

The Austrian ambassador and Mme. Dumba will remain in New York for

some time, unless business calls Dr. Dumba back to Washington.

Senor Enrique Jimenez, the new minister from the Dominican Republic, will present his credentials to the President Tuesday. He has established the legation for the winter at the Champlain, and will be joined in the spring by Senor Jimenez and their two children.

Foreign ambassadors and ministers are gradually giving up the observances of their countries in the celebration of Christmas and New Year, and the Chinese minister and Mme. Shah not only celebrated Christmas in true American fashion, but also the New Year.

The Russian ambassador and Mme. Bakmeteff and members of the staff will, however, adhere to the Russian custom of observing the Gregorian calendar, and

thirteen days from our New Year day will celebrate with religious ceremony the Russian New Year. They will return from New York in time for this event, or, should they be in that city, the services of the Greek minister will form the greater part of the ceremony. Little Countess Cassini, who left a lasting impression on the minds of Washington people, and who was the life of the Russian embassy while Count Cassini was ambassador, first celebrated the American Christmas with a huge tree and much giving, and later, with religious care, assisted the ambassador in a more formal celebration of the Russian New Year.

Mrs. Stephen Panaretto, wife of the new Bulgarian minister, who is a Massachusetts woman and not a native of her husband's country, is possessed of some rare examples of Bulgarian embroidery and laces, and when she returns the calls made upon her will probably give her hosts the pleasure of seeing some of them. She is fond of her husband's country, and, having been a teacher in Constantinople before her marriage, had a splendid opportunity to study the handicraft of the women.

Visitors Here.

Mrs. Olaf Morrourh Kelley of New York is the guest of Mrs. Charles Grayson Dulin at her home on K street.

Miss McNeir of New York, who has lately returned from a long stay in Europe, is now the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Crenshaw on 16th street.

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